

**ABSTRACT**

The present invention relates to a method and system for modifying images  
5 characterized in that it includes the ability to assign colour intensity values to  
pixels exposed during image manipulation operations comprising:

- means for using the color intensity values of remaining pixels in  
the original image, and
- means for assigning color values to the exposed pixels that are  
10 similar to those of the surrounding pixels so that the exposed  
regions blends smoothly with the surrounding region.

The instant invention also provides a configured computer program product for  
carrying out the above method.